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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 24, 2005, with a period for response extended to expire after December 27, 2005 (December 27, 2005 is the first business day after the post-extension due date because December 24, 2005 fell on a Saturday, December 25, 2005 being a Sunday and December 26, 2005 being a Federal Holiday in the District of Columbia by virtue of being the Monday following a Federal Holiday in the District of Columbia) please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

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